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Postmaster General LeJoy's slowdown plan for the USPS deliveries defies all logic. His plan will degrade our postal system to what it was in the 1940s. The pace of our lives today is much faster than it was 70 years ago and moving First Class Mail coast-to-coast by truck or rail today is unacceptable in the 21st century.

Below are just three examples of why slowing First Class Mail delivery schedule is unacceptable now:

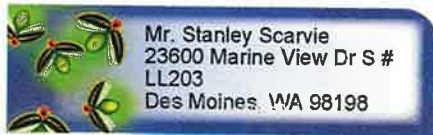
1. The USPS is an essential part of the American Electoral System for federal, state and local governments. For example, all elections in Washington State are Mail-In Elections. Since this system was adopted our elections have been very secure, less expensive for taxpayers to conduct and voter turnout has been consistently higher than in prior elections. The proposed USPS change would undoubtedly slow delivery of return ballots and will increase the number of late ballot submissions. This would deprive many Americans of their right to vote. This is unacceptable.
2. The USPS is now a critical part of the American Health Care System. Millions of Americans depend on First Class Mail for timely receipt of their prescription drugs. Slowing the deliveries would increase the likelihood of late arrival of these drugs. The impact of these delays could result in life-threatening emergencies, and perhaps even deaths.
3. The USPS plays a critical role in Interstate Commerce. Millions of Americans use personal checks and First Class Mail to pay bills to businesses, often completely across the country. At the delivery speeds in June 2020, these payments would arrive by the due dates without incurring late charges. If these delivery schedules are altered as proposed, millions of dollars in late fees will be collected from American citizens every month. While this would be a windfall for businesses, it would be a waste of millions of dollars for Americans who will get nothing of value in return.

The commission needs to restore the USPS delivery schedules to what they were in June 2020, when the USPS was still the gold standard for every other postal system around the world.

Thank you for considering my comments.

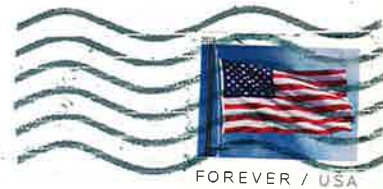


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